## CITY OF DANVILLE

# INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022

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## City of Danville

## Officials

## (Before January 2022)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	Term <u>Expires</u>
Jerry Strause	Mayor	Dec 2021
Mark Fedler Stefanee Heater Aaron Sperry Dustin Furnald Joe Huff	Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member	Dec 2021 Dec 2021 Dec 2023 Dec 2023 Dec 2023
Sue Rogers	City Clerk	Indefinite
Cray Law Firm	Attorney	Indefinite

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Jerry Strause	Mayor	Dec 2023
Cecilia Schnathorst Stefanee Heater Aaron Sperry Dustin Furnald Joe Huff	Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member	Dec 2025 Dec 2025 Dec 2023 Dec 2023 Dec 2023
Sue Rogers	City Clerk	Indefinite
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#### <u>Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures</u>

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

I performed the procedures below, which were established at Iowa Code Chapter 11.6 to provide oversight of Iowa cities. Accordingly, I have applied certain procedures to selected accounting records and related information of the City of Danville for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, including procedures related to the City's compliance with certain Code of Iowa requirements identified below. The City of Danville's management, which agreed to the performance of the procedures performed, is responsible for compliance with these requirements and for the City's records.

This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the standards for attestation engagements contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. The City of Danville's management has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose to report, in accordance with Chapter 11.6 of the Code of Iowa, recommendations pertaining to selected accounting records and related information of the City including the City's compliance with certain Code of Iowa requirements. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures I performed are summarized as follows:

- 1. I observed selected City Council meeting minutes for compliance with Chapters 21, 372.13(6) and 380 of the Code of Iowa.
- 2. I obtained an understanding of the City's internal controls to determine if proper control procedures are in place and incompatible duties, from a control standpoint, are not performed by the same employee.
- 3. I observed surety bond coverage for compliance with Chapter 64 of the Code of Iowa.
- 4. I obtained and observed the City Clerk's financial reports and selected bank reconciliations to determine whether the bank balances properly reconciled to the general ledger account balances and monthly financial reports provided to the City Council.
- 5. I scanned City funds for consistency with the City Finance Committee's recommended Uniform Chart of Accounts (COA) and to determine required funds and fund balances are properly maintained and accurately accounted for.
- 6. I applied limited procedures to the City's fiscal year 2021 Annual Financial Report (the report that was due during fiscal year 2022) to determine whether it was completed and accurately reflects the City's financial information.
- 7. I scanned investments to determine compliance with Chapter 12B of the Code of Iowa. The City's only investments are in certificates of deposit.
- 8. I scanned depository resolutions, the City's investment policy and reporting of unclaimed property to the State of Iowa to determine compliance with Chapters 12C.2, 12B.10B and 556.1(12) of the Code of Iowa.

- 9. I scanned debt, including general obligation bonds and related transactions for proper authorization and compliance with Chapters 75, 384 and 403.9 of the Code of Iowa and to determine whether the debt and related proceeds and repayments were properly accounted for.
- 10. The City had no TIF.
- 11. I traced selected receipts to accurate accounting and consistency with the recommended COA.
- 12. The City had no voter approved levies.
- 13. I traced selected disbursements to proper approval, adequate supporting documentation, accurate accounting and consistency with the recommended COA and compliance with the public purpose criteria established by Article III, Section 31 of the Constitution of the State of Iowa.
- 14. I traced transfers between funds to proper authorization and accurate accounting and determined whether transfers were proper.
- 15. I traced selected payroll and related transactions to proper authorization and accurate accounting and determined whether the selected payroll transactions were proper.
- 16. I observed the annual certified budget for proper authorization, certification and timely amendment.

Based on the performance of the procedures described above, I identified various findings and recommendations for the City. My findings and recommendations are described in the Detailed Findings and Recommendations section of this report. Unless reported in the Detailed Findings and Recommendations, items of non-compliance were not noted during the performance of the specific procedures listed above.

I was engaged by the City of Danville's management to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted my engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the standards for attestation engagements contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. I was not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on specific accounting records and related information of the City, including compliance with specific Code of Iowa requirements. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had I performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to my attention that would have been reported to you.

I am required to be independent of the City of Danville and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to my agreed-upon procedures engagement.

The purpose of this report is to report, in accordance with Chapter 11.6 of the Code of Iowa, certain agreed-upon procedures and the resulting findings and recommendations pertaining to selected accounting records and related information of the City, including the City's compliance with certain Code of Iowa requirements. This report is not suitable for any other purpose.

I would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to me by personnel of the City of Danville during the course of my agreed-upon procedures engagement. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, I would be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

April 27, 2023

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#### City of Danville

#### Detailed Findings and Recommendations

For the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022

- (A) Segregation of Duties Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control. A good system of internal control provides for adequate segregation of duties so no one individual handles a transaction from its inception to completion. In order to maintain proper internal control, duties should be segregated so the authorization, custody and recording of transactions are not under the control of the same employee. This segregation of duties helps prevent losses from employee error or dishonesty and maximizes the accuracy of the City's financial statements. Generally, one individual has control over each of the following areas for the City:
  - (1) Cash handling, reconciling and recording. There is no independent review of the bank reconciliations.
  - (2) Receipts opening mail, collecting, depositing, recording, reconciling and posting.
  - (3) Disbursements purchasing, invoice processing, check writing, mailing, reconciling and recording.
  - (4) Payroll recordkeeping, preparing and distributing.
  - (5) Utilities billing, collecting, depositing and posting.
  - (6) Financial reporting preparing and reconciling.

Recommendation – I realize segregation of duties is difficult with a limited number of employees. However, the City should review its control procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances utilizing currently available staff, including elected officials. An independent person should review the Clerk's monthly bank reconciliations. Independent reviews of reconciliations should be documented by the signature or initials of the reviewer and the date of the review.

(B) <u>Council Minutes</u> – Chapter 372.13(6) of the Code of Iowa requires minutes of City Council proceedings be published within fifteen days of the meeting. Minutes for ten meetings during the fiscal year were not published within fifteen days.

Chapter 372.13(6) of the Code of Iowa also requires minutes published include a summary of all receipts. Minutes for one meeting tested did not include a summary of receipts. Eight other months' monthly receipts summaries were published, but not in a timely manner (not in the next month).

<u>Recommendation</u> – The City should publish City Council minutes within fifteen days of the meeting, as required. Summaries of receipts should be included (and published) in the minutes of one of the Council's meetings in the following month.

(C) <u>Annual Financial Report</u> – I reviewed the City's fiscal year 2021 annual financial report, the report that was due during fiscal year 2022. I noted \$827 of interest revenue in the Special Revenue funds was reported as licenses and permits.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The City should continue to exercise care in completing and submitting an accurate annual financial report to the State each year.